

Description of Request: I have secured \$250,000 for the Eastside Eyecare Clinic for facilities and equipment. It is my understanding that one hundred percent of the requested funding will be used to purchase equipment and technology for the clinical labs in the Eastside Eyecare Clinic and the School of Optometry. These labs will offer clinical optometry services, especially in the field of pediatric and geriatric optometric services. Federal investment in the proposed Eastside Eyecare Clinic will provide new and enhanced health services to a traditionally underserved population that is largely African-American, with a standard of living consistently below the poverty line. This initiative will also provide new educational opportunities in optometry to populations historically underrepresented in this field. In addition, the establishment of a Community Clinic in the East Side will have the extra benefit of spurring economic development in this long-impooverished area. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Department of Education—HRSA—Health Facilities and Services

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio

Address of Requesting Entity: 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229

Description of Request: I have secured \$150,000 for the University of Texas Health Science Center for facilities and equipment. It is my understanding that the funds will be spent on space development/renovations, faculty recruitment start-up costs, equipment purchases and maintenance, supplies and travel, and innovative discovery research seed projects. Understanding the pathogenesis and clinical management of airway diseases through basic science, clinical and translational research innovation and collaborations will provide important insights as to how to interrupt respiratory disease progression and improve health for many millions of Texas citizens and hundreds of millions throughout the U.S. and beyond. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

Requesting Member: Congressman LAMAR SMITH

Bill Number: FY 2010 Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act

Account: Institute of Museum & Library Services—Museums and Libraries

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Witte Museum

Address of Requesting Entity: 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229

Description of Request: I have secured \$100,000 for the Witte Museum for exhibits and education outreach. It is my understanding that funding will be used to preserve and promote the culture and heritage of South Texas. To this end, the Witte is working closely with local educators to develop and refine programs and exhibits that will promote its mission by expanding educational outreach to its projected half million visitors; one third of whom are schoolchildren whose curriculum is interwoven with programs that align with

Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills, TEKS. The South Texas Heritage Center is but one component of the expansion with the appropriation request focused on promoting educational outreach by providing funding for the design and development of these exhibits, as well as, their fabrication and installation. I certify that neither I nor my spouse has any financial interest in this project.

#### EARMARK DECLARATION

#### HON. STEVE KING

OF IOWA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, July 15, 2009

Mr. KING of Iowa. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Bureau of Reclamation, Water and Related Resources

Amount: \$6,000,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Lewis and Clark Regional Water System

Address of Requesting Entity: 401 E. 8th St., Suite 306, Sioux Falls, SD 57103

Description of Request: This funding will be used to continue construction of the The Lewis and Clark Regional Water System, the objective of which is to build and operate a tri-state water system that will provide high quality water to the region it will serve, which will improve the quality of life and expand economic development opportunities.

When completed, the Lewis & Clark Regional Water System will be a wholesale supplier of treated water to 20 cities and rural water systems in northwest Iowa, southeast South Dakota, and southwest Minnesota.

Lewis & Clark represents a unique regional approach by the three states and the 20 local sponsors to address common problems with area water resources in a more effective and cost-efficient way than each state, town, or rural water system could do alone. Regional water problems include shallow wells and aquifers prone to contamination and drought, compliance with new federal drinking water standards, and increasing water demand due to population growth and economic expansion. Indeed, recently a cheese factory, which created many jobs, opened in Hull, Iowa, which many have suggested would not have been possible without the emergency connection built to the town to support their recent growth.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Corps of Engineers, Section 206

Amount: \$0—It is a named project

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Iowa Department of Natural Resources

Address of Requesting Entity: 205 E. 9th St., Des Moines, IA 50319

Description of Request: Any funding secured will be used to continue the joint project

between the Storm Lake Improvement Group, The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Iowa Department of Natural Resources to improve the aquatic species habitat in the Storm Lake watershed and to restore the wetland function of Little Storm Lake.

The 190 acre Little Storm Lake is located in the northwest corner of Storm Lake in Storm Lake, Iowa. Little Storm Lake originally had the ability to remove much of the sediment from incoming waters. Unfortunately, the ability to accomplish these tasks has dwindled due to the reduced vegetative diversity. Rehabilitating the ecosystem will require addressing loss of native plant communities, nutrient and sediment loading, and resuspension.

Restoration of the wetland function of the Little Storm Lake is an essential component of the Storm Lake restoration project, which has been undertaken to improve the water quality of Storm Lake. The water quality of Storm Lake is vital to the local community as annual visitors to the lake spent an average of \$10.14 million annually that in turn supports 728 jobs and \$9.79 million of labor income in the region.

Requesting Member: Congressman STEVE KING

Bill Number H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Account: Department of Energy, EERE

Amount: \$500,000

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Western Iowa Tech Community College

Address of Requesting Entity: 4647 Stone Avenue, Sioux City, IA 51106

Description of Request: These funds will be used to help develop the Wind Energy program of study at Western Iowa Tech Community College, including the acquisition of equipment and technology for the design of the wind power engineering curriculum at the College. Federal funds will be used to purchase a wind turbine and laboratory equipment for technician skills training. The funding will help to provide an enhanced training program designed to attract, retain, and develop skills and competencies at the technician level to maintain and grow the economic competitiveness of the wind energy industries.

Training will encompass understanding the design of a wind farm and the electricity power grid; the erection of wind turbines; wiring the turbines to the electric power grid; and scheduling and performing routine maintenance on the turbines' electrical components and columns.

This project will build Western Iowa Tech Community College's capacity to increase the pipeline of workers for the Wind Energy industry. As a result of this project, the College will have the ability to prepare up to 33 degree-seeking workers annually for employment in the industry. The overarching impact is to increase the educational attainment and skills levels of area residents by positioning them for careers as technicians in the Wind Energy industry.

The development of this program at WIT will also add to local economic development efforts to continue to attract additional employers within the wind energy industry to the region.

## EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. TOM COLE**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 15, 2009*

Mr. COLE. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, for FY2010

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title III

Account: DOE—EERE

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: "The University of Oklahoma"

Address of Requesting Entity: 660 Parrington Oval, Norman OK 73019

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for \$500,000.00 to develop technologies for improved, highly efficient processes for production of biomass-derived liquid fuels compatible with the existing fuels infrastructure. The specific initial research projects will focus on critical aspects of an integrated process for thermochemical/catalytic conversion of lignocellulosic biomass to green gasoline and diesel, and chemicals—i.e., hydrocarbons compatible with the existing fuels and chemicals infrastructure. Such a process will make use of our State's agricultural resources to provide environmentally improved fuels that will significantly increase domestic fuel supplies to meet growing demand without increasing dependence on imported petroleum feedstocks.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title III

Account: DOE—Fossil Energy R&D

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: "The University of Oklahoma"

Address of Requesting Entity: 660 Parrington Oval, Norman OK 73019

Description of Request: Provide an earmark for \$500,000.00 for new technology in the form of next generation microemulsion technology now exists to increase the production from these fields and recover as much as an additional 30 percent of this oil. By bringing this technology to the small, independent oil producers who produce most of our domestic onshore oil, we can significantly slow the decrease in US domestic oil production, reduce oil imports, improve the US balance of trade, and create tens of thousands of new, high paying jobs, without drilling in environmentally sensitive areas.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I

Account: Corps of Engineers—O&M

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Corps of Engineers

Address of Requesting Entity: 1645 South 101 East Ave. Tulsa, OK 74128

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$3,000,000.00 to fund the modernizing the 1976/78 Corps of Engineers Lake Texoma Master Plan, Environmental Impact Statement, and 1996 Shoreline Management Plan is crit-

ical to future regional development. Expedited federal funding to update these critical plans will greatly enable resolution of critical interstate and intrastate water use issues and effective and balanced planning, zoning and development around Lake Texoma. The updated Master and related plans will involve public and business participation and will be essential to manage future development and different interests in the Lake Texoma and surrounding areas.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma Water Resources board

Address of Requesting Entity: 3800 North Classen Blvd., OK 73118

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$300,000.00 to conduct a study. Area covers a 29 county area in southeast Oklahoma, including the Kiamichi River Basin and other tributaries of the Red River. The Oklahoma Water Resources Board signed the FCSA in July 2001, halted the study in 2002 due to a lack of State funds, but requested restarting the study and focusing the study on stream flows, habitat analysis and water supply. Study results will be integrated into the OK State Comprehensive Water Planning initiative.

Requesting Member: Congressman TOM COLE

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I

Account: Corps of Engineers—Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Oklahoma Water Resources board

Address of Requesting Entity: 3800 North Classen Blvd., OK 73118

Description of Request: Provide an earmark of \$250,000.00 to conduct a feasibility study to develop a Washita River Watershed management plan.

## EARMARK DECLARATION

**HON. J. GRESHAM BARRETT**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, July 15, 2009*

Mr. BARRETT of South Carolina. Madam Speaker, pursuant to the Republican Leadership standards on earmarks, I am submitting the following information regarding earmarks I received as part of the House passed version of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. GRESHAM BARRETT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title II, Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: University of South Carolina Aiken

Address of Requesting Entity: 471 University Parkway, Aiken SC 29801

Description of Request: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide \$456,000 for the University of South Carolina Aiken, USCA, Biofuels Laboratory in Aiken SC. A key element to solve U.S. energy supply problems is the development of renewable fuels such as hydrogen, and one of the most environ-

mentally friendly ways that hydrogen can be produced is biologically by bacteria. For the past year, the USC, with the support of the Aiken/Edgefield Economic Development Partnership has engaged in research at the Aiken County Center for Hydrogen Research to isolate and develop bacteria that generate large amounts of hydrogen. Also, USCA has been working on the process of embedding bacteria with high hydrogen production potentials into latex mats that can be used to produce hydrogen. The requested funds will enable USCA to become a full partner in the establishment of a bio-energy research center. Specifically, the funding will allow USCA to purchase equipment that will make it possible to screen hundreds of bacterial isolates in a short period of time and to fund a full-time laboratory technician. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. GRESHAM BARRETT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title II, Department of Energy, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: Clemson University

Address of Requesting Entity: 300 Brackett Hall, Box 5702, Clemson University, Clemson SC 29634

Description of Request: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide \$1,000,000 for the construction and operation of the Clemson University Cellulosic Biofuel Pilot Plant to be built in Charleston, SC. As our nation looks to expand our renewable energy portfolio, this funding would be used to construct and operate a pilot plant at a brownfield industrial site in Charleston SC, to scale-up commercially viable technology for conversion of cellulosic feedstocks from the coastal plains, i.e. trees, wood residuals, and row crops, to bio-fuels and other higher value products. Clemson has partnered with the Savannah River National Laboratory and South Carolina State University to bring together complimentary strengths that support a vertically integrated systems approach addressing issues from feedstock to consumer distribution. I certify that this project does not have a direct and foreseeable effect on the pecuniary interests of me or my spouse.

Requesting Member: Congressman J. GRESHAM BARRETT

Bill Number: H.R. 3183

Provision: Title I, Corps of Engineers Investigations

Legal Name of Requesting Entity: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Savannah District

Address of Requesting Entity: 100 W. Oglethorpe Ave., Savannah GA 31401

Description of Request: The purpose of this appropriation is to provide \$1,000,000 for Phase II of the Savannah River Basin Comprehensive Study. Section 414 of the Water Resources Development Act of 1996 (PL 104-303) authorized a Savannah River Basin Comprehensive Water Resources Study in order to develop an updated plan addressing current and future needs in the basin, examine reallocation of storage at Corps of Engineers multi-purpose projects, and to develop a better management structure to address basin water resources issues. The study was initiated in 2000 upon agreement by the Corps and the states of Georgia and South Carolina. However, federal funding for this project has not